

FAST TO CAPTURE. ROBUST TO ENDURE.

Introducing

APEX EQUITY EX-TOP 100 LONG-SHORT FUND



**BUILT FOR
POWER.**



**ENGINEERED FOR
SAFETY.**

The next generation of market leaders is emerging beyond the Top 100.

Apex Equity Ex-Top 100 Long-Short Fund is built to pursue that growth potential with the flexibility to take both long and short positions. Using derivatives and limited short exposure, the strategy seeks to adapt across market environments, participating in advancing markets while staying resilient as conditions evolve. The strategy aims to capture market upside while managing downside across market cycles, in pursuit of risk-adjusted returns.

WHY INVEST IN MID & SMALL CAPS?

Index Returns[^] CAGR

15.2% | Nifty Midcap 150 TRI

12.0% | Nifty Smallcap 250 TRI

vs **11.5%** for the Nifty 100 TRI

Market-cap Growth Multiple, by rank band

2.76x | 101st - 250th

3.0x | 251st - 500th

vs **1.8x** for the top 100 over the last 5 years

Earnings Growth PAT CAGR

12.4% | Nifty Midcap 100

15.2% | Nifty Smallcap 100

vs **11.1%** for the Nifty 50 over the last 12 years

Data as on 30 June 2026; [^]Index CAGR from 1 January 2018 to 30 June 2026. PAT: Profit After Tax. Source: ABSLAMC internal assessment.
Past performance may or may not be sustained in the future.

PORTFOLIO CONSTRUCTION

Long Portfolio Strategy



Core Long (~50%)

High-conviction businesses for long-term wealth creation.

Opportunistic Long (~40%)

Shorter-duration alpha opportunities driven by identifiable catalysts.

Special Situations (~10%)

Event-driven opportunities from corporate actions.

Short Portfolio Strategy



Core Shorts

Target structurally overvalued businesses with weakening fundamentals or governance concerns.



Opportunistic Shorts

Capture tactical downside opportunities arising from earnings disappointments and cyclical slowdowns.



Pairs Strategy

Hedge sector-specific risks by pairing long positions with selective short exposure.

HOW DOES THE FUND ADAPTS ACROSS MARKET CYCLES?

Rather than committing to a single direction, the strategy shifts its net equity exposure as conditions change:

Market Scenario	Core Long	Opportunistic Long-Short	Special Situations	Aim
 Bull Market	Higher exposure	Long bias	High	Capture market upside
 Flat Market	Moderate exposure	Options + derivatives	Medium	Generate alpha via derivatives
 Bear Market	Hedged portfolio	Short bias	Low	Reduce drawdowns

Portfolio positioning may change based on market conditions and investment opportunities. There is no assurance that the investment objective of the investment strategy will be achieved.

WHY INVEST IN APEX EQUITY EX-TOP 100 LONG-SHORT FUND?

Risk-managed mid & small cap participation

Access the mid & small cap opportunity with relatively lower volatility.

Dynamic net equity exposure

Adjusts long and short exposure via derivatives across cycles.



Reduced drawdown potential

Aims to cushion the portfolio through market declines.

Specialised team

Managed by professionals with expertise across equity, derivatives and long-short strategies.

NFO Period: 10th - 24th August, 2026

Apex Equity Ex-Top 100 Long-Short Fund

(An open ended investment strategy investing in equity and equity related instruments including limited short exposure in equity through derivative instruments of Ex - top 100 stocks)

This product is suitable for investors who are seeking*	Risk-band	Benchmark Risk-band (NIFTY 500 TRI)
- Capital appreciation over long term - An open ended investment strategy investing in equity and equity related instruments including limited short exposure in equity through derivative instruments of Ex - top 100 stocks	LOWER RISK RISK BAND HIGHER RISK 1 2 3 4 5 RISK-LEVEL 5	LOWER RISK RISK BAND HIGHER RISK 1 2 3 4 5 RISK-LEVEL 3

*Investors should consult their financial advisers if in doubt about whether the product is suitable for them.

The above product labelling assigned during the New Fund Offer (NFO) is based on internal assessment of the characteristics of the investment strategy or model portfolio and the same may vary post NFO when the actual investments are made.

Investments in Specialized Investment Fund involves relatively higher risk including potential loss of capital, liquidity risk and market volatility. Please read all investment strategy related documents carefully before making the investment decision.